









# VERY LITTLE ROOM FOR VOLUNTEERS

## Northern border settlements start harvest, repairs of war damage

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**WESTERN GAZETTE** — The settlements along the Lebanese border are carrying on as usual, despite the almost nightly Katyusha rocket attacks and the call-up of many of the men in a tour of the settlements yesterday. I found that the volunteers either are not needed or there is no room for them in the settlements.

Through the answer to volunteers generally is "Thanks, but no thanks," skilled men are needed: mechanics, electricians, and a tractor driver to help with the harvest at Gvat.

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# Business as usual

## in Gaza, despite war

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**GAZA** — Despite Radio Cairo's repeated description of a Gaza Strip surrounded by Israeli tanks, in the Gaza Strip, life is as normal as in any other part of the country. The only sign of the war was the blackout preparations.

In the stores, flour was more plentiful. So was fuel, after the Military Government in the last three days brought in 350,000 litres. Medical services were operating normally.

The Gaza industrial centre, which employs local labour, was working at about 80 per cent capacity yesterday, and workers in the port were unloading cement as usual. Gazans employed in Israel are staying home, but are expected to begin returning to their jobs in the next few days.

In nearby El-Arish, the local workers employed in Israel went to their jobs as usual, and the Israel-owned factories were working at full capacity.

One effect of the war on the Strip is that registration for the pilgrimage to Mecca has been suspended. In addition, 700 young Gazans scheduled to study in Gaza and the Shati, El Sur, and Jebel camps — with no one paying any attention to us as we saw life going on as always with the children at school and here and there a local policeman directing traffic. The only sign of the war was the blackout preparations.

# France trained

## Egyptian pilots

### in Libyan guise

By YACOV FREEDLER  
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**GAZA** — Egyptian pilots have been training in France under false Libyan identities, an Egyptian pilot taken prisoner has revealed.

The prisoner, Lt. Col. Sa'ad Abou Zahran, fell into Israeli hands on October 14, in Sinai.

He related that he was in a group of two other Egyptian pilots and a number of Egyptian aircraft technicians which was flown to Libya in August, 1970. After being furnished with false Libyan identities, the group flew on to Marignan, France.

There the men underwent a month's training on Alouette helicopter and subsequently returned to Egypt to participate in the Revolution Day parade.

At the end of 1970, Zahran, left his Egyptian home, and attended a French helicopter pilot's school. Zahran said he knows Egyptian pilots who trained on Mirage and Appaloosa at Dijon, France, under a cover. He gave the names of one as Fouk Assaad, Ali Alkin and another as Fawzi Darwish.

# Rental flats

## wanted for

### new immigrants

By YACOV FREEDLER  
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**GAZA** — An intensified search for flats to house new immigrants is being conducted by the Jewish Agency, acting for the Jewish Agency, the Government's Office in Jerusalem announced last night.

The rental flats are needed because the construction work, including the building of new immigrant housing, is held up. There is a special demand for rental flats for immigrants in Jerusalem, Haifa, Beer-Sheva, and Netanya.

The announcement said rental flats are up to IL550 monthly is tax and rent.

# 'Satellites aid Arabs'

By YACOV FREEDLER  
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**YORK** (Reuters) — The magazine "Aviation Week" reported that Russian reconnaissance satellites over Middle East battle areas are helping the Soviet Union advise the Arab and Syrian military command on tactics against Israel.

The magazine said one of these satellites was taken out of orbit on September 10, ahead of schedule, by a Soviet satellite which orbit was covered by the command.

A separate article, "Aviation Week" said the Soviet Union had shed a succession of Cosmos satellites over the area since early October and these have given an "unprecedented window" over the whole strategic region.

The magazine predicted that the U.S., "caught without an effective big bird up at the time the war erupted," would hastily launch a satellite.

The Defence Department refused to comment on the report.

**Drummer Krupa dies**  
NEW YORK (AP) — Jazz drummer Gene Krupa died at his home in New York, yesterday.



Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek greets two village mukhtars at his traditional Succot reception, in the courtyard of David's Tower, yesterday. Mrs. Kolek is standing behind the Mayor.

# Confidence prevails in

## East, West Jerusalem

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH  
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**AS** the Egyptian and Israeli armies locked yesterday in bitter battle, Jews and Arabs in Jerusalem mixed peacefully at Mayor Teddy Kolek's annual Succot reception.

Mr. Kolek decided to hold his reception despite the war. The only concession to the times was to conclude the event before dusk so that people could get home before the blackout. The early conclusion meant that most Moslem notables could not attend since they were at home breaking the Ramadan fast. Nevertheless, at least 200 Moslem mukhtars did come, as well as a number of Arab Christians.

The Russians were also represented, at least the Moscow-based Russian Orthodox Church, whose representative was among the many church dignitaries attending. The diplomatic corps turned out in force, although the British and French Consulate sent only their deputy.

Following the release of the Israeli casualty figures Sunday, sizeable security forces were posted at the approaches to East Jerusalem to forestall any possible attempt by elements of the Jewish population to take out their anger on the Arab population. There was, however, no such attempt. A Civil Defence official who walked through the city after the release of the figures said he sensed a relaxation in the Jewish population.

"With all the rumours that had the figures would be much higher," he said.

# Sombre Simhat Tora

## starts this evening

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**TEL AVIV** — Simhat Tora, which is to be ushered in tonight by special prayers and traditional hakafot — festive dances by congregants bearing Tora scrolls — will be quieter and more sombre this year; the mass outdoor celebrations which characterize the holiday will be absent. This year's festivities will be modest and restricted to the synagogue interiors.

The chairman of the local Religious Council, Pinhas Shatzman, told *The Jerusalem Post* there are a number of reasons for the decision to limit celebrations and to cancel the public, outdoor hakafot. "First," he said, "no one is in a mood for such mass celebrations while the war is still on. Second, the gathering of thousands of people in one spot is unsafe in time of war. And there are blackout considerations, as the mass hakafot usually take place after sundown."

Mr. Shatzman added that in most synagogues services will be held earlier than usual and the indoor hakafot will be scheduled so as to be concluded before the sun sets, both today and tomorrow night. This will spare the synagogue executives the problem of blacking out their buildings. But services in those synagogues which are blacked out need not be held early, he said.

The city's Chief Rabbi, Yehuda Frenkel and David Halevi, have instructed all rabbis to devote their sermons to the war effort. Those congregants who have not yet contributed to the voluntary war loan or who have not yet pledged to purchase bonds will be asked to do so.

The city rabbis will also be going to the homes of families of the fallen to console them and extend help.

Hundreds of Tora scrolls from synagogues and private homes have been distributed to IDF units on all fronts. Simhat Tora hakafot have been organized by the Chief Chaplaincy who hope to reach all units on all fronts. Former Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim has contributed a scroll which was brought out of an Arab country.

The IDF Chaplaincy has printed new editions, running into tens of thousands, of the IDF prayer books and calendar, compiled by Ahuf Mishne Gad Navon. This book includes Jewish religious laws (Halakha) and special prayers for soldiers.

In theory, Israeli soldiers captured by the Egyptians will be able to hold Simhat Tora hakafot. The soldiers on the East Bank of the Canal, opposite Port Ibrahim, who were taken prisoner on Saturday, took a Tora scroll along with them.

# INDUSTRY IS FILLING

## MANPOWER GAPS

By SHAY SHAPIRO  
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**TEL AVIV** — Manpower shortages caused by the war have been overcome, and the country's economy is trying to get back to normal. Plans are now being formulated to provide for manpower needs in the foreseeable future, Uriel Abrahamov, head of the Histadrut Trade Union Department, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

"Even if the war stops tomorrow, the manpower problem will be with us for months, as many men will remain mobilized for some time," he said.

In the first two days of the emergency registration of workers, only 40 per cent of the 7,300 who applied were given jobs, Mr. Abrahamov said. Thirty per cent of the applicants were women. (The registration is for non-essential production and services.)

Jobs in the war industry were filled by vocational school students and pensioners. No figures were disclosed. Manpower needs have also been adequately met in agriculture, and efforts are being made to assure that the citrus crop is picked in time.

Building has come to a standstill, and there is a drop in tourism. All hotels in Eilat have been closed. But a severe lack of manpower may soon be felt in other branches of the economy if things are not coordinated. Histadrut observers are reporting on manpower needs in all parts of the country.

All emergency workers will be paid according to the current wage scale, but "many volunteers are donating their pay to the war effort including the Soldiers Welfare Association," Mr. Abrahamov said.

# Most airlines cancel

## Lod-bound flights

By GEORGE LEONOF  
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**EL AL** remained the only scheduled airline operating out of Lod Airport yesterday, after most foreign commercial carriers bowed either to Arab threats or to the opposition of their national pilots' associations. Some said they were cancelling flights because of the "considerable increase in uncontrolled flights" over the eastern Mediterranean.

The only scheduled airline this week to maintain a daily flight to Lod — Air France from Paris — failed to touch down yesterday because of a strike by the airline's maintenance staff in Paris, which affected its flights to all destinations. The strike was a 48-hour warning action over wage claims.

Guy Hoyet, Air France director for Israel, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that the airline's policy was to continue at least one daily flight, and this should be resumed tomorrow. Mr. Hoyet, still back from Paris where he "recommends continuation of the flights," denied previous reports that the company's Lod-bound aircraft were now being piloted by volunteer crews. He said the French pilots association was not among those which insisted that only airmen who specifically wished to do so could be asked to fly to the Mid-East, considered a danger zone.

The reference by other airlines to the increase in "uncontrolled flights" preceded the American airlift to Israel and was reported to be concerned mainly with military activity and the then already-operating Soviet airlift to Egypt and Syria.

Mr. Hoyet, in response to a question, said there was no political significance in the French carrier's decision to keep flying to Israel, despite suspension of the route by other airlines. He added that the major reason was that there were people in Paris wishing to fly to Israel — and tourists and others in Israel waiting to go to France — not all of whom could be accommodated by El Al. There was also the question of mail and other cargoes, including diplomatic pouches, he said.

# Israel pavilions in

## trade fairs abroad

By YACOV FREEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

**THE** Israel pavilion at the Bucharest International Fair machinery and equipment exhibition is drawing large crowds, according to a cable received yesterday by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Fifteen Israeli firms are participating in the fair, along with exhibitors from 15 other countries. The fair opened five days ago.

The Israeli Company for Fairs and Exhibitions (ICOPEX) said Israeli manufacturers are also currently participating in trade fairs in Paris and Munich (clothing and fashions) and in Oslo and Copenhagen (foods and food products).

# THREAT OF MIDDLE EAST INVOLVEMENT

## Super-power detente may be collapsing

By K. C. THALER  
LONDON (UPI) — West and East European diplomats yesterday voiced growing anxiety for the survival of the U.S.-Russian detente. The U.S. airlift of arms to Israel shows that Washington is taking a firmer stand towards Moscow.

Western diplomats said the co-existence policy worked out painstakingly by U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger with the Kremlin appears to be losing ground, and rapprochement is threatened with collapse.

From the ranks of East European Communists came more guarded but equally anxious expressions of alarm over the fate of the budding East-West cooperation, which they badly need.

Some diplomats suggested a quick summit between President Nixon and Soviet Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev might slow the dangerous downward slide of their relationship, and prevent a return to the Cold War.

"Officially, the rapprochement between the two superpowers appears intact, but in fact it has been severely dented by the events in the Middle East and has come under stresses approaching the breaking point," one Western diplomat warned.

Expert political commentators were in agreement that Soviet and U.S. arms shipments to the Middle East for use by their battling clients has "set a new face" on the overall situation.

Europeans saw strong indications, both in Washington and in Moscow, that the super-powers are anxious to salvage their policy of cooperation, but events may already have overtaken these intentions.

Soviet affairs experts here said their latest analysis has shown a marked shift in the Kremlin toward a harder line, with opponents of rapprochement with the U.S. gaining ground.

The essence of European reaction was that rapid, top-level moves by the Kremlin and Washington are needed to patch up some of the serious damage already done.

One encouraging feature, in the view of diplomats, was the comparative restraint both in Washington and Moscow of policy and propaganda pronouncements to date.

In key European capitals, the shock over the Soviet-U.S. collision on Middle East developments has been tempered by the considerable degree of doubt which some of their leading diplomatic officials have long entertained on the durability and reliability of the Kremlin's policy of detente.

Britain and France, for instance, have taken a marked wait-and-see stance on Kremlin intentions in recent months, as opposed to the U.S. and West Germany. Some of the smaller European nations and neutrals also have shown notable caution, which has been reflected in their posture at the current negotiations with the Russians in Geneva at the European Security Conference.

# Boumediene sees

## Tito in Belgrade

By K. C. THALER  
LONDON (UPI) — The Yugoslav and Algerian have again pledged their determination to continue and boost aid to Arab countries fighting Israel.

# Republicans win

## Turkish election

ANKARA (UPI) — The Republican People's Party has won its first national election for 23 years, but failed to gain an outright parliamentary majority.

# POST OFFICES CLOSED

Post offices will be closed tomorrow, Simhat Tora, the Communications Ministry announced yesterday. But delivery of mail from soldiers will carry on as usual.

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# Sapir ending

## fund-raising tour

MIAMI (UPI) — Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir ended 24 hours of meetings Monday night with regional Jewish representatives here and flew under heavy guard to another U.S. city.

Officials of fund-raising agencies declined to reveal Mr. Sapir's destination, but they said he was expected to return to Israel tonight or Thursday.

Included in his party were Arye Dulitz, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency, and Haim Laskov. Sources said Sapir was in Miami in connection with the fund-raising drive in South Florida, home of the fifth-largest Jewish community in the U.S. Officials said more money per capita has been raised in this area in support of Israel during the "Yom Kippur War" than in any other area in the country.

Gerald Schwartz, spokesman for the Israel Bond Organization, said nearly \$7m. worth of bonds had been sold or pledged by late Monday in South Florida.

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